

Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission
November 8, 2010

Present: MD: Marshall Dennis, Chairman
CP: Christopher Picone
AA: Alana Archangelo

7:30 PM MD opened the meeting of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission under the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and in accordance with the Ashburnham Wetlands Protection Bylaw and associated Rules/Regulations.

7:30 PM **Paul Daniello of Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust** was present to discuss a **Conservation Restriction** for land at **73 Old County Road**. Mr. Daniello requested that the Commission write a Municipal Certification Letter stating that it supports the Hagar Conservation Restriction with the understanding that the actual CR will be held by Mount Grace. Mr. Daniello had a copy of the letter to be signed with him. This meeting was continued from October 12, 2010.

MD: Motion to sign the Municipal Certification Letter for the Hagar Conservation Restriction.

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

7:45 PM MD opened the discussion relative to **Request for an Extension to the Order of Conditions for Richard and Kristina Goguen of 5 Houde Road** for site work, including dock-related activities on Lower Naukeag Lake. MD was unable to locate the valid Order of Conditions. The most current information in the folder regarding this location was dated 2005. MD emailed the Goguens explaining the situation but received no response.

MD: Motion to deny the Request for an Extension to the Order of Conditions for site work at 5 Houde Road due to lack of valid documentation.

AA: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

8:00 PM MD opened the Notice of Intent public hearing for the upgrade of the existing septic system within the 100 foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland at the **Fitchburg Sportsmen's Club, 289 Rindge Road**. Mr. Chris McKenzie from Whitman & Bingham was present to represent the FSC. Mr. McKenzie confirmed that proposed activities were mostly within the 100 foot buffer zone. The Commission indicated that the erosion controls must include straw bales, not hay bales.

MD: Motion to close the public hearing for the Fitchburg Sportsmen's Club NOI at 289 Fitchburg Road.

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

MD: Motion to accept the NOI per plan and discussion

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

8:15 PM MD opened the Notice of Intent public hearing for the upgrade of the existing sewer system located within the 100 foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland at **75 West Shore Drive**. Mr. Murphy (the property owner) and Mr. Chris McKenzie (Whitman & Bingham) were present. The Commission discussed the plans presented and recommended that the silt fencing as shown on the plan be adjusted to allow access to the work site within the buffer zone.

MD: Motion to close the public hearing on the NOI for 75 West Shore Drive

AA: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

MD: Motion to accept the NOI per plan and discussion

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

8:30 PM MD opened the hearing for the Determination of Negligible Impact for **Stephen Coswell of the Little Watatic Pond Improvement Association** for the installation of a culvert protection fence with flooring to stop the damage being done by beaver activity. The beavers are causing the pond's outlet to clog. Mr. Coswell was not present. The culverts are to be installed by Beaver Solutions. The Commission reviewed and discussed the application.

MD: Motion to approve the DNI as submitted.

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

Other Business:

- The Commission signed the Order of Conditions for **48 Bluefield Road**, owned by **Mr. John Thomas (DEP# 92-844)** for the refurbishment of a single family home within the 100 foot buffer zone of Sunset Lake.
- The Commission signed the Order of Conditions for **117 South Main Street**, owned by **Mr. John Harrison (DEP# 092-845)** for the demolition of an existing home and construction of a single family home located in the Riverfront Area.
- The Commission signed a Determination of Applicability for **27 Stodge Drive**, owned by **Nancy Evans**, for the installation of a septic tank within the 100 foot buffer zone of Stodge Pond.

AA: Motion of adjourn the meeting

CP: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM

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Respectfully submitted by:

Alana Archangelo, Conservation Commission Member